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Forecasted Kansas Winter Wheat Production Unchanged from May

The 2012 Kansas **wheat** crop is forecast at 387.0 million bushels as of June 1, unchanged from the May forecast but up 40 percent from the 2011 crop. If realized, this would be the highest production since 2003. This year's crop is expected to be harvested from 9.0 million acres, up 1.1 million acres from 2011. This is the largest area harvested since 2006. Yield per harvested acre is expected to average 43 bushels, unchanged from the May forecast, but up 8 bushels from last year's drought-stricken yield of 35 bushels per acre.

Temperatures in Kansas during May were above normal and even record breaking at some locations. May 2012 ranks as the third warmest on record for Kansas, with the warmest occurring in 1962. Most of the State received very little precipitation during the month. Preliminary statewide average precipitation for May was 1.1 inches, which is only 26 percent of normal, and ranks 2012 as the second driest May since 1895. Scattered precipitation was received the last week of the month with some areas experiencing high winds and hail. Topsoil moisture ratings declined through the month and then went up slightly due

to scattered showers at the end of the month. On June 3 topsoil moisture was rated only 35 percent adequate to surplus compared to 63 percent adequate to surplus a year earlier. Topsoil moisture in the West Central District was at 86 percent short to very short, followed by the Southwest at 85 percent short to very short.

The wheat crop continued to progress two to three weeks ahead of normal as harvest began in southern Kansas the week of May 20. This harvest is the earliest on record with the second earliest in 1962 when 1 percent was harvested the week ending June 2. Harvest was 20 percent complete by June 3 with at least some wheat harvested in all districts. The Southeast and South Central Districts were leading the State with 50 percent and 44 percent harvested, respectively. The crop was 62 percent mature by June 3 compared to 8 percent last year and the 5-year average of 2 percent. On June 3, 40 percent of the wheat crop was reported to be in good to excellent condition, down 22 points from the beginning of May. Last year at that time only 17 percent of the crop was rated good to excellent.

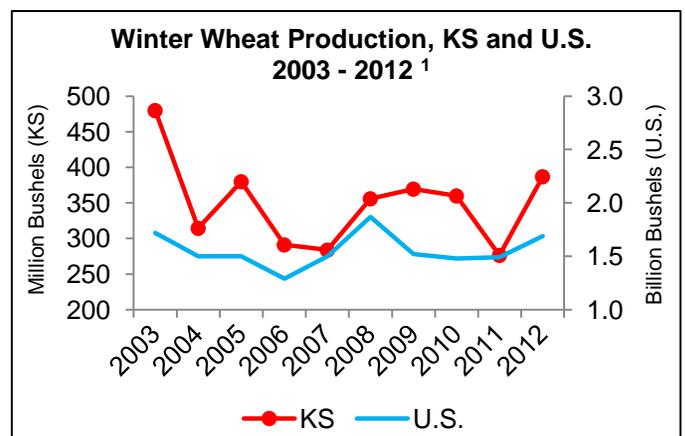
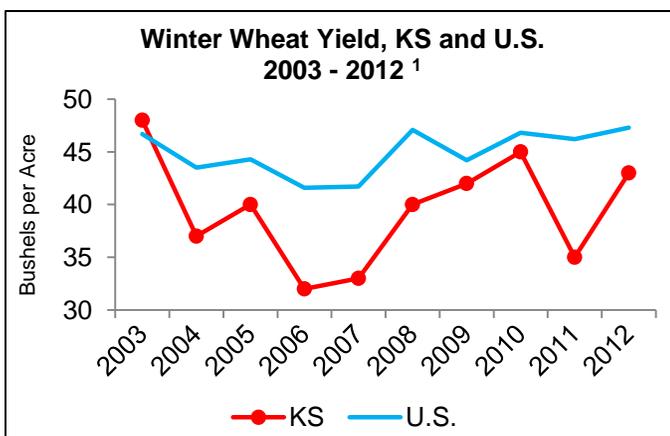
U.S. Winter Wheat Production Down 1 Percent

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.68 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the May 1 forecast but 13 percent above 2011. Based on June 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 47.3 bushels per acre,

down 0.3 bushel from last month but 1.1 bushels more than last year. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 35.6 million acres, unchanged from May 1.

Winter Wheat, Kansas and Selected States, 2011 and Forecasted June 1, 2012

State	Area Planted		Area Harvested		% of Prev. Yr.	Yield		Production		% of Prev. Yr.
	2011	2012	2011	2012		2011	2012	2011	2012	
	1,000 Acres					Bushels Per Acre		1,000 Bushels		
KANSAS	8,800	9,500	7,900	9,000	114	35.0	43.0	276,500	387,000	140
Colorado	2,300	2,400	2,000	2,250	113	39.0	39.0	78,000	87,750	113
Missouri	790	770	680	700	103	50.0	55.0	34,000	38,500	113
Nebraska	1,520	1,350	1,450	1,270	88	45.0	40.0	65,250	50,800	78
Oklahoma	5,100	5,400	3,200	4,300	134	22.0	37.0	70,400	159,100	226
South Dakota	1,650	1,350	1,590	1,300	82	42.0	43.0	66,780	55,900	84
Texas	5,300	5,800	1,900	3,350	176	26.0	31.0	49,400	103,850	210
United States	40,646	41,709	32,314	35,580	110	46.2	47.3	1,493,677	1,683,667	113



¹ Forecasted yield as of June 1, 2012

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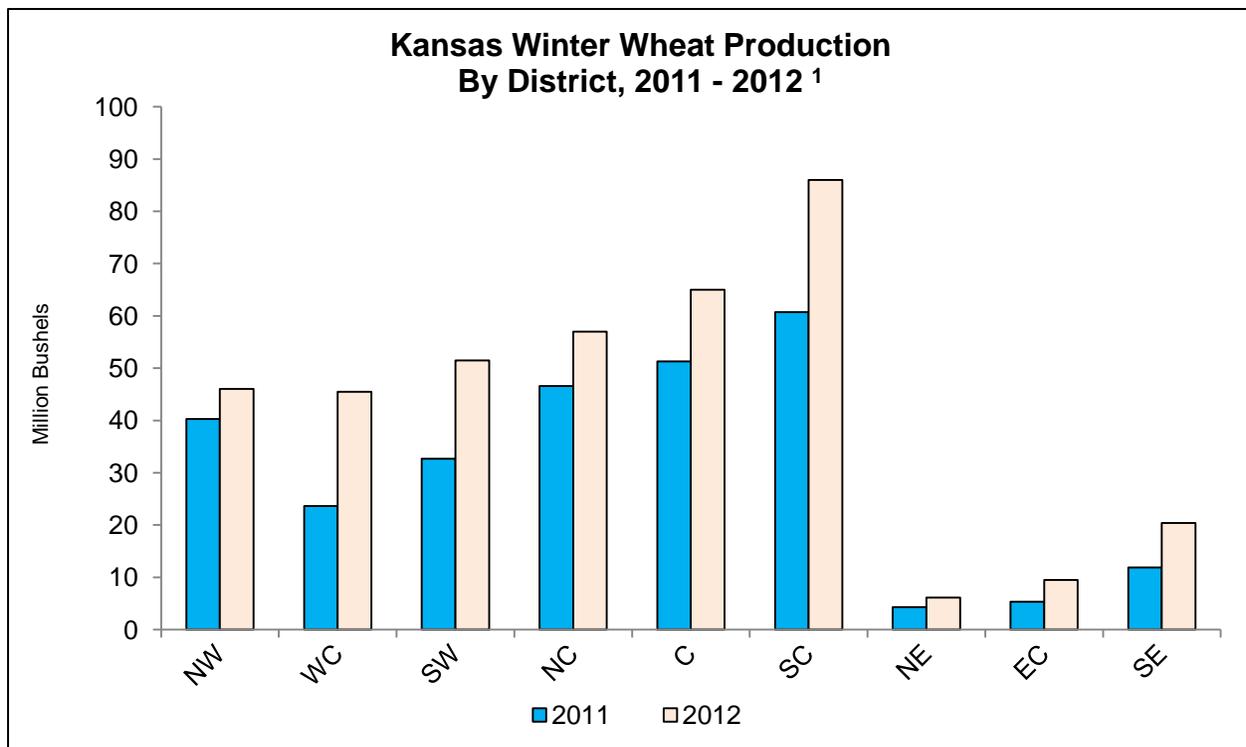
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Kansas Winter Wheat Production by District, 2011 and Forecasted June 1, 2012

District	Area Planted		Area Harvested			Yield		Production		
	2011	2012	2011	2012	% of	2011	2012	2011	2012	% of
	1,000 Acres			Prev. Yr.	Bushels Per Acre		1,000 Bushels		Prev. Yr.	
Northwest	960.0	1,000.0	895.0	950.0	106	45.0	48.5	40,250	46,000	114
West Central	1,085.0	1,300.0	785.0	1,230.0	157	30.0	37.0	23,550	45,500	193
Southwest	1,510.0	1,750.0	1,210.0	1,610.0	133	27.0	32.0	32,700	51,500	157
North Central	1,210.0	1,250.0	1,165.0	1,210.0	104	40.0	47.0	46,550	57,000	122
Central	1,390.0	1,400.0	1,315.5	1,340.0	102	39.0	48.5	51,270	65,000	127
South Central	2,050.0	2,000.0	1,955.0	1,890.0	97	31.0	45.5	60,650	86,000	142
Northeast	115.0	150.0	109.5	145.0	132	39.5	42.0	4,320	6,100	141
East Central	140.0	220.0	135.0	210.0	156	39.5	45.0	5,330	9,500	178
Southeast	340.0	430.0	330.0	415.0	126	36.0	49.0	11,880	20,400	172
State	8,800.0	9,500.0	7,900.0	9,000.0	114	35.0	43.0	276,500	387,000	140



¹ Forecasted production as of June 1, 2012

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